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TO HEADQUARTERS

DATE 6 SEP 1956

FROM Chief of Station [REDACTED]

SUBJECT { GENERAL Operations
 SPECIFIC [REDACTED] Mission 1105

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Mission 1105 was flown by [REDACTED] on 29 August 1956 in [REDACTED] 187. Special equipment consisted of [REDACTED]. Duration of the flight was eight hours and twenty minutes. Take-off was on schedule. Immediately after take-off, landing gear retraction difficulty was experienced. The gear continued to cycle up and down until the [REDACTED] was able to catch and hold it in the up position by pulling the gear circuit breaker. This malfunction delayed actual climb on course for a period of twenty minutes. Cause of this malfunction was determined to be the up-lock switch. Readjustment of this switch corrected the situation.

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No other problems were encountered in launching the mission. [REDACTED] reported satisfactory operation of the camera equipment and no malfunctions were evident upon landing [REDACTED]. The R-6, V-7 and L-8 cameras exposed 1063 frames, 1722 feet of [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] exposed 850 feet of [REDACTED]. All camera equipment operated satisfactory in that results were obtained. The frame counter of the R-6 data chamber did not function and the R-6 and L-8 cameras lost one turn of tension of the shutters. This will result in an overexposure of the negatives which will be corrected by the [REDACTED] processor so that good photographs should result. No [REDACTED] clips taken, same as mission 1104. Results of the [REDACTED] were excellent.

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Overcast to [REDACTED]. Flight within 10 NM limits except at [REDACTED] where turn was made early putting track 13 NM north of course, returning to course just north of [REDACTED].

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Mission 1105 malfunctioned after one and one-half hours. This was due to slack in tape, causing tape to come off loop arm. Action has been taken to correct this in future operations.

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No problems were encountered in the briefing or de-briefing of any of the four missions.

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